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NEWSPAPER CLIPPING OF:

Squire Hornbeck (Deceased)

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Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the family residence near Burneyville for Squire Hornbeck, 108 year old colored man.

Hornbeck was a pioneer citizen of Love county, having moved here from Honeygrove, Texas in 1891 and settled in the Burneyville Community. He lived on a small tract of land which he tilled and operated a store on the East-West Highway until his death. Until two weeks ago he was active and was a familiar sight sitting in the door of his small store.

He was buried in the family burial plot 100 yards from his house beside his wife who died in 1914. He was the father of fourteen children, ten of whom survive. His oldest son Jim Hornbeck who is himself 70 years old took part in the funeral service.

The old Tennessee Negro Slave was born on March 3, 1828 and if he had survived until his birthday, he would have been 109 years old. In talking of things that he could remember of the past deceased often spoke of seeing David Crockett, American backwoodsman and other heroes of America's early history.

Surviving besides his ten children are 76 grand children and five great, great grand children. 111 great grand children.